

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 36, replace the paragraph beginning on line 19 and bridging pages 36 and 37 with the following amended paragraph:

--More specifically, a license identifier LER''' which is used in place of the license identifier LER according to the embodiment shown in FIG. 1 is formed as shown in FIG. 11A and included in the license management information CIF. At this time, like the license identifier LER, the license identifier LER''' includes license path information LP, license valid range start position information ST, and license valid range end position information EN. The license identifier LER''' further includes license storage position information LDST representing a storage position of the license information including the license identifier LER''' on a second recording medium, e.g., the hard disk 1 protection chip 15 A, and license information length information LDL representing an amount of information of the license information.--